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**1. Location**

The Cranes Factory (Darugyár) was formerly one of the work-shops belonging to the Ganz Shipyard. It is now an independent concern, but still shares the premises with the shipyard. The factory is located at 9 Meder utca, Budapest XIII between the Vací út (to the east) and an arm of the Danube (to the west).

**2. Production**

a. The range of products is as follows:

(1) Floating cranes of 100, 25, 10, and 5 tons' capacity. (Floating cranes of 50 tons' capacity are produced if specially ordered.)

(2) Bridge cranes.

(3) Steel construction (mainly components for transport and mechanical handling equipment), elevators, mechanical conveyors.

b. A breakdown of current production is not available, but its value is about 120 m. Forints p.a.

c. It is planned to concentrate on the production of 100-ton floating cranes, which are being given highest priority.

**3. Materials**

Steel sections, plates, etc.

Plates

Components of mechanical assemblies for cranes

Ozd Metallurgical Works and Diósgyőr  
 Metallurgical Works  
 Lőrinc Rolling Mill, Budapest

Ganz Wagon Works, Budapest

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Steel cables

Miskolc Steel Wire and Cable  
Factory (Miskolci Acél- és  
Sodrony-kötélgyár)

Welding rods

Rákosi Mátyás Trust, Electrodes  
Factory, Budapest-CsepelMachining and finishing of components  
of cranes  
Production of floats

Ghiurghiu-Dej (Ganz) Shipyard

Machining of large cogged wheels

Diosgyör Engineering Works

Electric motors

Ganz Electrical Engineering  
Factory, Budapest4. Destination of Products

## a. Export consignees:

USSR  
Poland  
RumaniaFloating cranes (practically  
the whole production)  
Bridge cranes (a small part of  
the factory's production)

## b. Internal consignees:

All factories and enterprises  
requiring cranes and mechanical  
handling equipment (including  
the Iron Works under construction  
at SztalinvárosBridge cranes, mechanical  
handling machinery.c. Practically none of the floating cranes are destined for Hungary. In the  
past eight years only two 100-ton floating cranes have been supplied for  
internal use.5. Transport

a. Incoming materials are transported by rail and truck.

b. Transport used for outgoing products is as follows:

Floating cranes

Towed down the Danube (some of  
the superstructure is erected  
later, as they would be too high  
to pass under the bridges).Mechanically handled machinery  
and land cranes

By truck and railroad

6. Power

The factory uses electrical power only which is supplied from the national grid.

7. Labora. The total number of employees is 600-800, including a relatively small number  
of women.b. Work is in two 8-hour shifts. When required, overtime is worked in some of  
the shops.

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8. Security

No unusual security measures are in force. There are no armed guards. At night the workshops are protected by night watchmen.

9. Organization

- a. The organization is similar to that of other factories in Hungary. There are no secret departments.
- b. The factory is subordinated to the Shipbuilding Industry Trust (Hajóipari Tröszt) direct. In practice it is entirely dependent on the Ganz Shipyard, the Ganz Wagon Works and the Dömsgyör Engineering Works.

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